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FROM MR. JAMES CLEVELAND.

June 7th 1775 CANHAWA GREAT BEND

SIR

These lines Comes to Let you know how I go one With improven First I Cleard & got in
Corn abote 20 or 25 acares or More Which is More then I rote Before I have bult as Much
as Would be praised To about 160 Pounds by the Men that is to praise It as the lands is
hard to Clear & rail timber very Schase [?] I find from Expearance that buldin is the Best
Way I have rote So Much about the Sarvents That I Shall Say No more about them as
I got All them from the Townes but one & the king Brought him a Cross the ohio to Fort
blare but Before I Could git their he had Swam over So That I have him to go after a gain
& as I have lost 60 od Dayes all ready I am resolved Not to Fetch him home again I Must
Tack any thing I Can git again these that are hear I am a Bliged to Watch I rote to you that
one of them Must be drownded but the indanes Saved his life So I have got him again
the The time Lost And Expences is More then I Can sell them for I have but 12 bushells
of Corn at this time & know Meat to be had & the hands threatenens to run a Way know
& When there is No bread thay will Not stay so I thinck it best to Trie to git some Down
& as I am a blige to send up to the botomes I have Sent three of the Sarvents To Major
Crawford & Directed him to Sell them on the best Turmes he Can I have No Cash to Send
for provisions but Gives & order on you Which I Expect will Doe if Not to bring the Corn
I left at Sympsons & if got to leave & Exxact a Count of it & all That Thay bring so that

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When you Call for it you May know what stock I have Cpt. Russell Who has Assisted Me in Gitting of The Sarvents has all so promist Me Salt And some Meat & three Cowes tho it Tis Contrary To his Directions the Letter No 9 I thought to a Bought all the Cattel but as the Indians At this time is Not sattesfied about the treaty And ar Ware en¹ the white Skalpe that thay Got last year I Shall Not by any thing that I Can Do With thout the improvement seames Two Small Which mackes me Desiros that you Should Come out as soon as Possebele you Can. But if the affares of aMerica Would Not aMit of that Right very full to Me about your affares hear & all so let me know: affares is ther When you look at the Worck Done remember That fore of the hands has Done Nare Dayes Worck sence Thay Came hear & Lost time & know thay must go by Warter for it tis as Much as thay Can Doe to walck know about As I have menchioned in the letters before aBout Close Some of which Will Come to hand Be Cause I inClosed them To Mr John peak & pr favour of Mr Roberts Lewtenant So I Con Clude yours to Command

JAMES CLEVELAND

¹ Wearing.